

AMPUTATION MANAGEMENT

PROCEDURE:

- If avulsed tissue is still attached, return to normal position and secure with moist saline dressing.
- Rinse amputated part with normal saline solution to remove any gross contamination, then wrap in sterile saline moistened gauze.
- Place wrapped part inside a waterproof container.
- Place the container on ice.
 - It should not be placed directly into ice (the melting ice produces a hypotonic solution that damages cells).
 - Do not use dry ice.
- Transport amputated part with patient.
- BH contact as soon as possible for receiving center determination.

NOTE:

Macerated and/or crushed parts cannot be replanted. Parts which should be considered for replantation at replantation center: Thumb (most important), whole finger except distal fingertip; whole hand, arm, leg, feet, toes, and penis.